

affectionate regards to your wife. I
trust that a letter from you will be
gratifying, believe me, Yours ever
Rev. B. B. Phelps. Charles Hitch

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they are numerous; some of them presenting very desirable locations. Among the most so, I would name Brookport, a considerable village a few miles above Rochester on the canal; - Albion still further up - larger & more desirable than the former; - Pittsford, a few miles east of Rochester; - Genesee, a delightful village on the Genesee river; - & Leroy, a fine village 10 miles E. of Batavia on the same road, which is or soon will be, probably, vacant. Salaries in the above places will range from \$500 to \$100; it being understood at the same time, that the same will go farther towards defraying the expenses of a family there than here, since most articles, with the exception of furniture, are cheaper there than here. - If you are disposed to go out, I shall be happy to introduce you to friends & acquaintances there. Were you once there, I believe you would choose to stay. I will learn you your number 3 in your family; & congratulate you on the occasion with the hope that it will prove a blessing to you. Mrs F. joins me in

ceeded to the western part of the state
of N. York, where after loitering about
among friends from place to place for
several weeks, they got me engaged
in the labors of an 11 days meeting,
during which I preached 45 times, prin-
cipally without notes. While thus engaged
I received an invitation to supply the ra-
cent Presby & Chk in Batavia. I complied
with the invitation; & after preaching
with them 2 sabs, received an expression
of the united wish of the people that
I should become their pastor. They of-
fer me a salary of \$600; & I have engaged
to return, if possible, by the 1st of Sept.
Batavia is one of the oldest, largest, & most
ancient villages in that part of the coun-
try - is 40 miles east of Buffalo or S. L.
& 50 S. W. of Rochester -
is on the great road from Buffalo
to Albany - has 3 meeting-houses, a
Court-house, & jail, with a popula-
tion in the town of between 4,000, &
3,000. The country is delightful - the
field of usefulness is extensive. - With
regard to other vacancies, I can say,

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Dear Br.

You may have supposed by this time that I had forgotten my promise of writing you; but I am now resolved to produce, if possible, a contrary intent to preserve, informing you that the same thing would have been done weeks ago, had I been in possession of the information I desired. - You see I am once more at home. Preached here Friday last, after an absence from my beloved family of more than 11 long - long weeks. Yet the time passed pleasantly, (with the exception of domestic enjoyments) & rapidly & I passed from place to place, & from one scene to another. You may wish to know the details of my journey; but I can devote time & paper only to a brief sketch up it, as this is not the chief object of my writing. After spending the season of the summeries in N. York most delightfully, I passed into N. Jersey, where I continued a fortnight with my friends. There I pro-